

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action dated July 3, 2006, Claims 1-49 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0169695 to Salo et al. ("Salo") in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,032,003 to Shi et al. ("Shi"). As explained below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention of independent Claims 1, 14, 25, 34, and 43, and by dependency Claims 2-13, 15-24, 26-33, 35-42, and 44-49 are patentably distinct from the cited references, viewed alone or in combination. As such, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the pending claims of the present application.

I. Summary of Embodiments of the Claimed Invention

Embodiments of the present invention are directed to devices, methods, and computer program products that allow for a remote network device to functionally access a mobile terminal via a communication network, such as the Internet. More particularly, the mobile terminal is configured to execute a web server application. The remote network device, such as a PC connected to the Internet, can use a web browser application to access a web page supported by the web server application of the mobile terminal. In this way, the remote network device can access databases, services, and devices associated with the mobile terminal. Independent Claims 1, 14, 25, and 43 of the present application generally recite, amongst other things, that the mobile terminal executes a web server application that provides for a remote network device to access the mobile terminal via a network connection. Similarly, independent Claim 34 is directed to a computer program product having computer-readable program code instructions comprising a first executable instruction capable of providing a remote network device access to a mobile terminal, and a second executable instruction capable of providing the accessed remote network device functional access to one or more devices associated with the mobile terminal.

II. Neither the Salo publication nor the Shi patent, alone or in combination, teach or suggest a mobile terminal that executes a web server application, or any other application, that provides for a remote network device to access the mobile terminal via a network connection, as generally recited by the claims of the present invention.

In contrast to the claimed invention, the Salo publication is directed to a system that allows mobile terminals to access information on a particular enterprises network. Specifically, the Salo publication describes providing a data center that includes a web server having a login site that a user can access using a mobile terminal. In other words, the Salo publication describes a mobile terminal using a web browser to access a site that provides access to a server. The Salo publication does not, in any way, describe a mobile terminal implementing a web server application for permitting network devices to remotely access the mobile terminal, as is required by the independent claims of the present application.

Similarly, the Shi patent describes a system in which a wireless computing device, such as a mobile terminal, is used to access a database on a server hosted by some other network device. In particular, the Shi patent is directed to synchronizing data on a wireless device with a database in a network server. For example, the wireless device sends a synchronization request to the server. The server receives the request, validates the request, updates the database on the server, and sends a synchronization response to the wireless device. Thus, the Shi patent also does not describe a mobile terminal executing a web server application that permits a remote network device to access the mobile terminal, as generally required by the claims of the present application.

Therefore, it appears as though the Office Action is misinterpreting the claimed invention as using a mobile terminal to access a server on a network. In direct contrast, embodiments of the claimed invention are directed to a mobile terminal executing a web server application so that remote network device may have access to the mobile terminal using, for example, a web browser application to access a web page supported by the mobile terminal's web server application. Since both of the cited references fail to teach or suggest a mobile terminal that executes a web server application, or other application, for providing for access to the mobile terminal by a remote network device via a network connection, any combination of the cited

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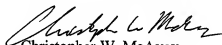
references also fails to teach or suggest the claimed invention for at least this same reason. As such, Applicants submit that all of the claims of the pending application are patentable over the Salo publication, the Shi patent, and any combination thereof. Finally, note that Claim 25 has been amended to correct a typographical error.

III. Conclusion

In view of the remarks and amendments presented above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims of the present application are in condition for allowance. It is respectfully requested that a Notice of Allowance be issued in due course. The Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney to resolve any remaining issues in order to expedite examination of the present application.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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